



**Arlington City Hall, Conference Room A
101 W. Abram Street, 3rd Floor
Arlington, TX 76010**

**MINUTES OF THE
ADVISORY COMMITTEE OF THE
ARLINGTON TOMORROW FOUNDATION
September 2, 2015**

The Arlington Tomorrow Foundation Advisory Committee convened on September 2, 2015, at 11:00 a.m., at the Arlington City Hall, Conference Room A, 101 W. Abram Street, 3rd Floor, Arlington, Texas, with the meeting being open to the public and notice of said meeting, giving the date, place and subject thereof, having been posted as prescribed by V.T.C.A., Government Code, Chapter 551, with the following members present, to-wit:

Committee members:

Frank Alexander
Mike Gerro
Connie Kerr
Shirley Patterson
Stephen Zimmer

And

Carolyn Montesana, Executive Director
Jennifer Wichmann, Director, Management Resources
Mary Supino, City Secretary
Karen Roberts, Grants Coordinator

I. Call to Order:

Stephen Zimmer, Advisory Committee Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

Chairperson Zimmer recognized Board member Patterson for receiving the 2015 Board of Directors of Neighborhoods, USA “Who’s Who in America’s Neighborhoods” award, a national volunteer award.

II. Approval of August 5, 2015 Committee meeting minutes

Committee member Gerro made a motion to approve the August 5, 2015 Committee meeting minutes. Seconded by Committee member Alexander, the motion carried with 5 ayes and 0 nays. **(APPROVED)**

III. Update on Board of Directors actions and decisions

Executive Director Carolyn Montesana provided an overview of the Board of Directors actions and decisions presented during the Board’s meeting held on August 25, 2015.

IV. Discussion of pending letters of inquiry and selection of final applications which will be recommended to board for final proposals and for grant considerations

Letters of Inquiry:

1. Dental Health Arlington, Inc. (DHA) – DHA Relocation: \$100,000 requested.
Committee member Alexander made a motion to deny invitation for final grant application, with the caveat that the Committee would consider funding programmatic service needs as opposed to health facilities and the Committee would like the applicant to come back with an application for a specific program related request. Seconded by Committee member Zimmer, the motion carried with 5 ayes and 0 nays.
(DENIED)
2. Meals on Wheels of Tarrant County – Home Delivered Meals to Arlington Residents: \$38,500 requested.
Committee member Gerro made a motion to approve invitation for final grant application, with funding applied to FY2016. Seconded by Committee member Kerr, the motion carried with 5 ayes and 0 nays. **(APPROVED)**
3. Positive Influence – Pope Storage Building: \$3,000 requested.
Committee member Patterson made a motion to deny invitation for final grant application. Seconded by Committee member Kerr, the motion carried with 5 ayes and 0 nays. **(DENIED)**
4. Water From The Rock – Reduce Hunger Together: \$10,000 requested.
Committee member Gerro made a motion to approve invitation for final grant application. Seconded by Committee member Zimmer, the motion carried with 5 ayes and 0 nays. **(APPROVED)**

Final Grant Applications:

1. City of Arlington Parks and Recreation Department – Richard Simpson Park Improvements: \$3,100,000 requested.
Committee member Gerro made a motion to approve final grant application. Seconded by Committee member Kerr, the motion carried with 5 ayes and 0 nays. **(APPROVED)**
2. Tarrant County Association for the Blind, dba Lighthouse for the Blind of Fort Worth – Lighthouse Rehab on the Road: \$10,000 requested.
Committee member Patterson made a motion to approve final grant application, with the condition that this organization target low vision clients and will market their services to those who are most in need. Seconded by Committee member Gerro, the motion carried with 5 ayes and 0 nays. **(APPROVED)**
3. Theatre Arlington – Theatre Arlington 43rd Season: \$40,000 requested.
Committee member Gerro made a motion to approve final grant application for full funding as presented, with condition that any subsequent request from the Foundation will be for less money. Seconded by Committee member Zimmer the motion carried with 5 ayes and 0 nays. **(APPROVED)**

V. North Texas Giving Day overview – September 17

VI. Future Agenda Items

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:27 p.m.

Stephen Zimmer, Chair

ATTEST:

Mary W. Supino, City Secretary